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FOL RPT MADRID 3828 ACTION USIA SECSTATE INFO LISBON 17 MAY 77  
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SUBJECT: CULTURAL CENTER EXPLOSION MADRID

REF: MADRID 3827 (NOTAL)

1. EXPLOSION OF UNDETERMINED NATURE RIPPED TEN  
CLASSROOMS, TEACHING LOUNGE, FILM CENTER AND PRINCIPAL  
ENTRANCE OF U.S. CENTER MADRID AT APPROXIMATELY  
4:00 A.M. MADRID TIME.

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2. ONLY PERSONNEL ON PREMISES WAS SECURITY GUARD INSIDE  
CENTER AT PRINCIPAL ENTRANCE. HE WAS THROWN AGAINST A  
WALL BY BLAST CONCUSSION BUT UNHURT.

3. POINT OF ORIGIN OF BLAST SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN COCA COLA  
MACHINE LOCATED IN TEACHERS LOUNGE. NEXT TO FILM LIBRARY NATURE  
OF BLAST UNASSESSED AT THIS TIME. POLICE, FIREMEN AND EXPLOSION

EXPERTS ON SCENE ADVISED ALL PERSONS IN VICINITY OF ENTRANCES TO BUILDING TO EVACUATE AREA IN CASE OF SECONDARY EXPLOSION.

4. EMBASSY SECURITY OFFICER AT SCENE AFTER BALST AND REPORTED INCIDENT TO SY COMMAND CENTER AND APPROPRIATE LOCAL AUTHORITIES.

5. PAO AND CENTER DIRECTOR AT SCENE. TELEPHONE REPORT MADE TO AGENCY WATCH OFFICE. VOA CORRESPONDENT DAVE LENT ON SCENE WILL FILE REPORT. ADDITIONAL REPORT FOLLOW.

6. INDICATIONS ARE THAT THIS WAS BOMB EXPLOSION OF HIGH INTENSITY. BOMB SQUAD EXAMINING DEBRIS AND SITE AND WILL RENDER REPORT LATER. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WILL BE PASSED AS RECEIVED. RYLANCE

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